My boyfriend''s mother doesn''t take the soda cans out of the 12 pack container before refrigerating

We were visiting his parents yesterday and I noticed it when I went to get a drink from the fridge. She had three 12 pack containers, Coke, Sprite and Coke Zero, those paper box things that the drinks come packaged in, all lined up on the bottom shelf in her fridge.

On the way back, I asked my boyfriend about this and he didn't understand that you're supposed to take the cans out of the carton so that they will chill properly.

You store the cartons in the pantry or wherever and just put in the # of cans you'll need. You're not supposed to put the whole carton in there.

In fact, you're really not supposed to have any paper containers in your fridge, unless it's milk or leftover Chinese Food.

I was a little surprised by this and now I think his Mom is a little trashy for not knowing something basic like this.

—Anonymous

219 replies 08/03/2009

seriously, are you joking?? That's what the cardboard things are made for now. The refrigerator. You pull of the end tab and the carton is like a dispenser. The cans just roll out.

—Anonymous

reply 1 08/03/2009

I keep my 12 packs in the fridge. You sound anal retentive.

—Anonymous

reply 2 08/03/2009

Umm...no. Those cartons have a perforated section you remove so you end up with a handy dispenser for the cans in the fridge. Not trashy, just practical.

—Anonymous

reply 3 08/03/2009

OMG, the horror of it all!

—Anonymous

reply 4 08/03/2009

Oh just hit her with your purse, OP.

—Anonymous

reply 5 08/03/2009

Putting canned beverages in a PERSONAL refrigerator while still in a carton is about as trashy as one can get. Your boyfriend's mother has a filthy vagina and the females on this board will attest to this fact. Disgusting.

—You''re right on the money, OP.

reply 6 08/03/2009

I hope you actually *told* your boyfriend that you think is a mother is a little trashy, you piss-elegant douchebag.

—Anonymous

reply 7 08/03/2009

The perforated dispenser isn't devised in any way, shape or form for the refrigerator, you clueless queens. It's so you can remove the beverages from their encumbrance like a human being. Heathens.

—Anonymous

reply 8 08/03/2009

[R6]=OP

If you really want to talk "trashy" why not go all the way and condemn her for having poisonous soda at all?

—Anonymous

reply 9 08/03/2009

I GUARANTEE you OP's boyfriend's underwear is riddled with skid marks from lack of proper hygiene training by his mother.

—Anonymous

reply 10 08/03/2009

Were the sodas "SunDrop", OP?

see offsite link on bizrate.com

—Anonymous

reply 11 08/03/2009

Is this the kind of thread DL is evolving (actually regressing) into? How sad.

—Anonymous

reply 12 08/03/2009

You have a class-based opinion on the refrigeration of soda cans. You do realize that this is as if you chastised your boyfriend's mother for not following the original, Folk Americana recipe for Lipton Soup onion dip, right?

—Anonymous

reply 13 08/03/2009

I'm sure it was Faygo.

—Anonymous

reply 14 08/03/2009

Well she can't very well make the dip AND keep those ginormous boxes of soda in her fridge at the same time now can she [R13]?

—Anonymous

reply 15 08/03/2009

What the hell is [R12] moaning about? I smell a lazy vah-jay-jay.

—Anonymous

reply 16 08/03/2009

Woah, wait a minute here. You bitches actually put the whole container in the fridge like common trash?

—OP

reply 17 08/03/2009

I'm frantically paging through my Martha Stewart, Amy Vanderbilt, and Emily Post books, and can find no mention of this.

Someone needs to write a lexicon of trashiness. Like, I've heard it's a bit trashy even to have a fridge full of soda. And certain types of soda are trashier than others. Where do you learn the fine points, like "no paper in the fridge"?

—striving prisspot

reply 18 08/03/2009

Can you post a pic of his mother, OP? This might give us more context.

TIA!

—Anonymous

reply 19 08/03/2009

I keep my sodas in the box so I can more easily remove them when I need more room in the refrigerator, however, the cleaning person takes them out of the box so she can drink a few without my noticing.

The proper way is to remove a few to chill. Your refrigerator cools more effectively when it is full, so sodas in boxes are practical to that end rather than merely storing them in the cupboard.

On the other hand, the cardboard is dirty. Maybe that's why you're offended, OP.

—Anonymous

reply 20 08/03/2009

"Trashy"?!

The trashy one isn't your BF's mom.

Hint: Classy people do not point out other people's failings.

—Anonymous

reply 21 08/03/2009

They probably shit in their trash cans.

—Anonymous

reply 22 08/03/2009

These days, you don't know where that carton's been....

—Just sayin"

reply 23 08/03/2009

> The perforated dispenser isn't devised in any way, shape or form for the refrigerator

You are loony tunes, for reals.

—Anonymous

reply 24 08/03/2009

Classy people do not use the term "classy".

—Anonymous

reply 25 08/03/2009

I always stock my fridge w/ a discreet assortment of "mini" bottles of soda for delivery drivers, UPS or laborers at my home.

—Anonymous

reply 26 08/03/2009

OP, the packaging is marketed for exactly that purpose.

Your boyfriend's mother is smarter than you.

see offsite link on allbusiness.com

—Anonymous

reply 27 08/03/2009

Well [R19], she does have a Facebook Page, which I think is tres gauche for a 50 year old woman to be on Facebook, but that's another story.

I was always taught to take cans out of their container and sort them neatly in the fridge to cool evenly. Just in case someone looks in the fridge, you don't want them to see a mess like that.

My boyfriend was always a little messy, which I found cute, but now I understand that he may not have had a proper foundation for these types of basic household things.

—Anonymous

reply 28 08/03/2009

> "You are loony tunes, for reals."

Queen, the "dispenser" is so you can;

take.the.fucking.sodas.out.of. - the.carton.

with out them going all over the place.Idiot.

—Anonymous

reply 29 08/03/2009

This is another egg salad thread in the making.

—200 posts before quitting time today

reply 30 08/03/2009

[R26] has the right idea.

—Anonymous

reply 31 08/03/2009

What's a refrigerator?

—The orphans of Darfur

reply 32 08/03/2009

" always stock my fridge w/ a discreet assortment of "mini" bottles of soda for delivery drivers, UPS or laborers at my home."

Is this before or after you offer them a blow job?

—Anonymous

reply 33 08/03/2009

> The perforated dispenser isn't devised in any way, shape or form for the refrigerator, you clueless queens. It's so you can remove the beverages from their encumbrance like a human being. Heathens.

Um...yeah...that's why they call it a FRIDGE PACK

see offsite link on bizjournals.com

—Anonymous

reply 34 08/03/2009

Note that the sole purpose of this invention is because cartons are declasse.

see offsite link on organizeit-online.com

—Anonymous

reply 35 08/03/2009

> My boyfriend was always a little messy, which I found cute, but now I understand that he may not have had a proper foundation for these types of basic household things.

M

A

R

Y

!

—get over yourself

reply 36 08/03/2009

[R8], it's specifically called "The Fridge Pack". It was designed because manufacturers realized people were not keeping their 12-packs in the fridge and instead taking them out a few cans at a time. Problem was, when there were no more cold cans left in the fridge, people tended to drink something that was cold rather than wait for the cans to cool and thus would go longer between buying a new 12-pack. So the manufacturers were looking for some incentive to have consumers put all 12 cans in the fridge at once so that people would drink them faster and buy more, and hence, the handy pull-out tab that dispenses the cans one at a time.

And yes, I keep the entire box in the fridge and think it's far trashier to be such an ass-clutching judgmental bitch.

—Anonymous

reply 37 08/03/2009

A 50 year old woman with a FB page and is too lazy to take sodas out the carton. (I see a correlation here).

Case closed.

—Anonymous

reply 38 08/03/2009

Check your boyfriend's underwear OP and report back to us!

—Anonymous

reply 39 08/03/2009

Thank you [R35]. Could you imagine walking into someone's home and they have to wrestle with a big ass container WITH A PERFORATED OPENINGcalled a, of all things, FRIDGE PACK, to offer someone a refreshing beverage. Every one of you would be laughed out of the Junior League.

—Anonymous

reply 40 08/03/2009

How desperate must the OP be to appear sophisticated that he trashes the housekeeping practices of his alleged boyfriend's mother. I believe we are all in agreement that the boyfriend should dump this mincing prisspot at the first opportunity.

—Anonymous

reply 41 08/03/2009

If I ever opened a fridge of an acquaintance with a soda carton inside I would cringe and then look to find the Miracle Whip.

—Anonymous

reply 42 08/03/2009

"Fridge Pack"

shudder

—Anonymous

reply 43 08/03/2009

Sodas in the fridge?

No. Just...no.

—Anonymous

reply 44 08/03/2009

Buying/drinking soda is trashy, period, so it really doesn't matter how you store the soda.

—Anonymous

reply 45 08/03/2009

A 50 year old woman with a FB page and a carton of sodas in her fridge. This is a perfect example of what's happening to this country.

—Anonymous

reply 46 08/03/2009

I'm not desperate at all [R41]. I just know that you wouldn't go to Martha Stewart's house and find a big paper Cock or Pepsi container in her fridge. She would probably have they assorted neatly by brand or something.

—OP

reply 47 08/03/2009

It's painful to fit a soda carton inside.

—Anonymous

reply 48 08/03/2009

OP, I give you the prize for a posting that is, without a doubt, the stupidest one I've ever seen on DL. Seriously.

—PMIStud

reply 49 08/03/2009

> "I just know that you wouldn't go to Martha Stewart's house and find a big paper Cock..."

I don't know OP, you MIGHT just find a paper cock at Martha's. Did you see her May origami issue?

—Anonymous

reply 50 08/03/2009

Cartons in the fridge are just filthy and lazy.

—Anonymous

reply 51 08/03/2009

> OP, I give you the prize for a posting that is, without a doubt, the stupidest one I've ever seen on DL. Seriously.

How many filthy drink cartons do you have in the fridge, dear?

—Anonymous

reply 52 08/03/2009

What PMIStud said. While not the stupidest thread, period, it's certainly the stupidest etiquette thread I can recall. (And yes, I keep my soda cartons in the fridge.)

> I think is tres gauche for a 50 year old woman to be on Facebook

You and the OP *both* need to unclench. Even my 88-year-old grandfather is on Facebook these days, for fuck's sake.

> I just know that you wouldn't go to Martha Stewart's house and find a big paper Cock or Pepsi container in her fridge. She would probably have they assorted neatly by brand or something.

I'm sure she does, but given that she's fashioned her own lifestyle into a marketable (and extremely successful) brand, she's also expected to be unusually fastidious. She's probably be horrified to read your claim that she stashes "paper Cock" in her fridge.

—kirker

reply 53 08/03/2009

I can't believe that this thread has as many respones as it does. MARY! Get a life! If you are this critical over such small things, you may find that you end up alone, an old feeble queen.

—Anonymous

reply 54 08/03/2009

> She would probably have they assorted neatly by brand or something.

I seriously doubt that Martha Stewart keeps canned soda in her home. The paper cock, though, is anyone's guess.

—Anonymous

reply 55 08/03/2009

I'm disappointed in you Kirker, you live in Austin. I would think that you would understand these things.

—Anonymous

reply 56 08/03/2009

Stupid thread, stupid alleged typo, stupid OP.

—this place sucks

reply 57 08/03/2009

Funniest thread in fo-evah.

—Della

reply 58 08/03/2009

> Someone needs to write a lexicon of trashiness

I can't get over the fact that you people even know what's in your refrigerator. Why would you care what Cook does in her personal domain?

Next I'll probably read that you put your cream in your china cup before pouring in the coffee.

—AC

reply 59 08/03/2009

"On the way back, I asked my boyfriend about this and he didn't understand that you're supposed to take the cans out of the carton so that they will chill properly."

I like this part the best. How thin cardboard impedes chilling over the hours or days the cans are in there defies commonsense.

And I enjoyed the exception to his "no paper" rule that the OP made for the two paper items he himself keeps in the fridge.

(Doesn't the paper milk carton prevent the milk from chilling properly?)

—Anonymous

reply 60 08/03/2009

I have no idea how Manuela keeps the fridge. I just know that when I ask for a cola, it better be cold, with four ice cubes, in one of the Baccarat tumblers.

—Anonymous

reply 61 08/03/2009

Anal *and* stupid. How sad.

—Anonymous

reply 62 08/03/2009

> I'm disappointed in you Kirker, you live in Austin. I would think that you would understand these things.

I do understand ... that you're a batshit-crazy anal-retentive. Even the fussiest kitchenista I know -- one of my oldest friends, who routinely tests her oven temperature with a detached thermometer to make sure it's precisely calibrated -- keeps soda in cartons in the fridge.

—kirker

reply 63 08/03/2009

Keeping them together keeps them from tipping over.

—Anonymous

reply 64 08/03/2009

> Doesn't the paper milk carton prevent the milk from chilling properly?

My milk actually comes in a glass container (Heartland Creamery), but paper is fine because there is nothing between the paper and the milk.

see offsite link on heartlandcreamery.com

—Anonymous

reply 65 08/03/2009

if she bought it at Target, it's probably soaked with rat piss!

—Anonymous

reply 66 08/03/2009

Good lord, it's the first time in memory that the She Beast of Austin managed to not sound like a pretentious dip.

Is this the End of Days?

—Anonymous

reply 67 08/03/2009

> the She Beast of Austin

Oh, dear.

—Anonymous

reply 68 08/03/2009

I take my cans out of the cardboard, but that's because I keep them in the lower drawer of my wine cooler and can stack them easily in there, plus I keep a variety of different sodas in there for guests, and boxes would take up too much room. But before I installed my wine cooler and kept soda in the fridge, I used to put the boxes in there. There is certainly nothing wrong with it.

—Anonymous

reply 69 08/03/2009

You don't know where ANYTHING you purchase at the store and then put in your fridge, cupboards and/or pantry have been. Every last box, can, bottle, and piece of produce has been exposed to god knows what before it ever enters your pristine home.

Why single out the friggin' fridge pack?

Removing the cans from a pack that was clearly designed to contain them IN THE FRIDGE, BEFORE placing them in the fridge, takes prissiness to a whole new level.

Do you sterilize each can before you slurp from it, OP?

—Anonymous

reply 70 08/03/2009

I sometimes do that with soda and water. I take the carton on when there is less in there.

—Anonymous

reply 71 08/03/2009

OP, you fascinate me and I'm gonna bite.

Why exactly have you come to believe that the the only acceptable paper cartons permitted in the refrigerator those containing milk or leftover Chinese food?

What, assuming, for the sake of the argument, such a rule exists, do you expect is the reason for it? Is it grounded in any particular rationale or is merely a caprice of purported fashion?

What would make you believe that anyone holding otherwise would be "white trash"?

Are you posting a mere fabrication of eccentricity because it delights you to see what responses it might inspire?

—Anonymous

reply 72 08/03/2009

OP clearly learned this fine point of etiquette from his lower-middle-class suburban hausfrau mama, along with such rules as "always conceal the extra roll of toilet paper inside an adorable, hand-crocheted cozy," and took it to heart, not realizing that Subdivision Etiquette doesn't always line up with what you'd read in Emily Post.

—Anonymous

reply 73 08/03/2009

Better be careful your BF does not dump you OP.

—charlie

reply 74 08/03/2009

> I was always taught to take cans out of their container and sort them neatly in the fridge to cool evenly.

What an interesting childhood you must have had.

—Anonymous

reply 75 08/03/2009

It bears repeating: OP is a control freak douchebag.

—Anonymous

reply 76 08/03/2009

Stupidest.

Thread.

EVAH!!!!!!!!!

—Anonymous

reply 77 08/03/2009

Thank you [R65] for explaining the cooling issue.

So a combination of paper and metal will insulate temperature, while paper or metal alone will not.

This kind of scientific talk always baffles me.

—Anonymous

reply 78 08/03/2009

I love [R73]'s theory, it's probably very true. I bet OP also serves dinner to his guests on his 'good china.'

The selfassuredness of a blue collar or upper class guy are both way more attractive than this middle class prisspottery.

—Anonymous

reply 79 08/03/2009

OP = Shit stirring troll hoping for the next turkey meatball thread.

—Anonymous

reply 80 08/03/2009

I think one should take the cans off the plastic 6-pack rings before putting them in the cooler chest with ice.

—Tarquin

reply 81 08/03/2009

OP, this is what she needs for Christmas

Offsite Link
www.organizedatoz.com

—Anonymous

reply 82 08/03/2009

OP HAS to be a troll.

He CAN'T be serious.

I mean... what the fuck?

—Anonymous

reply 83 08/03/2009

The only thing I can add to this, is that if you want your sodas to chill more quickly, then they'd do better to be spaced apart so the cool air can envelop the entire can at once. However, unless you need to have your soda cold in 20 minutes and are loathe at the thought of putting ice into it, then you should be fine in the container. Also, for those that have space issues, those containers actually come in handy as most people are horrible at utilizing the back part of the referigerator on the lower shelves. Also -- if you need one chilled quickly, thow it in the freezer for 10 minutes or so.

—Anonymous

reply 84 08/03/2009

So, she doesn't like/approve of you--is that what the real issue is OP?

—Anonymous

reply 85 08/03/2009

[R84] is wrong. The most effective way to chill a can of soda quickly is by sticking it in an ice bath, with equal parts water and ice. The ice-cold water will encase the entirety of the can, cooling the can immediately and its contents in under 20 minutes. Sticking it in the freezer is not only less effective -- instead of chilling instantly, the can's metal will only gradually cool down -- it also runs the risk of the drink ending up partially or completely frozen if you leave it in too long.

—Anonymous

reply 86 08/03/2009

The rack pictured in [R82] prevents the cans from chilling properly by pushing the cans too close together.

—Anonymous

reply 87 08/03/2009

[R86]. Technically correct. Total immersion is the best way to chill a can quickly. But, since most people aren't going to go through all the trouble of putting the can into an ice bath, putting it into the freezer is a suitable alternative as long as you don't leave it in there for too long.

—Anonymous

reply 88 08/03/2009

Oh Dear - What does the group think of my Franzia Box Wines in the refrigerator? I have chablis, rose, and pinot....

Usually when I have guests, I offer them a drink and don't make them go to the refrig to get their own so they don't know about my keeping boxes in there...

—Anonymous

reply 89 08/03/2009

We think you're trolling, [R89].

—The Group

reply 90 08/03/2009

I decided to call my Mother after reading the responses. Soda containers go in the pantry. You take out a nice selection for the fridge. You never keep a case of drinks in the refridgerator. Not only does it take up valuable room, but you also don't know where those cases have been. Also, you don't want you refridgerator to be a billboard for name brand soft drinks. So put that in your collective pipes and smoke it.

—Anonymous

reply 91 08/03/2009

> You never keep a case of drinks in the refridgerator.

The Fridge-packs are 12-packs, not a "case of drinks."

—Anonymous

reply 92 08/03/2009

You spelled "refrigerator" wrong, twice. You're an idiot, OP. Smoke on your pipe and put that in.

—Anonymous

reply 93 08/03/2009

[R91] = tedious priss.

This is why they hate us.

—Anonymous

reply 94 08/03/2009

> On the other hand, the cardboard is dirty. Maybe that's why you're offended, OP.

Who the fuck eats off their refrigerator shelves?

—Anonymous

reply 95 08/03/2009

Take the stick out of you butt [R93]. The spell check didn't catch it. Move along now.

—Anonymous

reply 96 08/03/2009

[R91], I'm sure the fridge packs come packed together in larger cartons. Once they reach the store, they are removed from the shipping cartons and placed on the shelves.

Just like every other item in the store that is sold either singly or batched together in some way.

Can your mom confirm where those have been?

—Anonymous

reply 97 08/03/2009

OP, I hope what I have to say will cause you to go into such fits, you get dizzy, fall down and bump your head and then wake up a totally different non-asshole human being.

Take a deep breath

I have a fridge in my garage RIGHT THIS VERY MOMENT that is dedicated to soda and soda only. AND, I have 2 open boxed containers in there right now!

—You can only grow through pain. Glad I could help.

reply 98 08/03/2009

No soda cartons in the fridge...EVER!

—OP"s Mommy Dearest

reply 99 08/03/2009

[R98], a garage fridge is different from the fridge in your kitchen. You can put anything in there and it's no problem. Just like a fridge or freezer in the mud room. Your guests are probably not going to see those and the very reason for them is to put extra stuff in, especially for those of you who are into that whole suburban warehouse store thing.

—Anonymous

reply 100 08/03/2009

I'm going to take a wild stab here, OP.

You consider window screens declasse, don't you?

—Anonymous

reply 101 08/03/2009

What kind of fucking idiot has to ask his Mommy where to put his soda?

—Anonymous

reply 102 08/03/2009

> You consider window screens declasse, don't you?

Window screens? How would you keep the bugs out, if you didn't have window screens?

—Anonymous

reply 103 08/03/2009

Why do I picture "Mother" as being periodically consumed by the vapors, and likely to pass on to her Heavenly Father after a bout of consumption?

—null

reply 104 08/03/2009

"Fridge packs"?

Oh, dear.

—Anonymous

reply 105 08/03/2009

You'd have central AC, dear.

—Anonymous

reply 106 08/03/2009

You just had to post that, [R101], didn't you?

—Anonymous

reply 107 08/03/2009

[R84] = the hit of every party.

—Anonymous

reply 108 08/03/2009

The best window screens are hidden "pull down" screens that you'll only ever see when they're in use.

—1920"s House

reply 109 08/03/2009

I bet OP is the same idiot that insisted that Anderson Cooper was complying with DADT.

—Anonymous

reply 110 08/03/2009

Stop with the screens right now. Stop it, I say!

—Anonymous

reply 111 08/03/2009

This argument -- fridge packs yea or nay -- is an argument that Big Edie and Little Edie would be having if they were alive today.

OP, how many cats and/or raccoons do you currently have?

—Anonymous

reply 112 08/03/2009

> What kind of fucking idiot has to ask his Mommy where to put his soda?

I just found it fascinating that so many of you claim to be so freaking urban and sophisitcated, but have no problem putting something called a "fridge pack" in the fridge. So I called my mother to get confirmation. Move along now.

—Anonymous

reply 113 08/03/2009

How many of you put cereal in the fridge instead of the cupboard?

—Anonymous

reply 114 08/03/2009

I don't know how anyone could put sodas still in the carton in a refrigerator and claim to be proud gay men.

I PRAY that you queens who say you that you do are kidding.

—Anonymous

reply 115 08/03/2009

> Why do I picture "Mother" as being periodically consumed by the vapors, and likely to pass on to her Heavenly Father after a bout of consumption?

Actually I picture mother in a periwinkle blue dress and leaving a noticeable indentation when she's removed from her mattress.

—I also picture the OP wearing the same dress and a grey wig

reply 116 08/03/2009

[R91], please ask your mother if she also empties everything else out of cartons, bottles, jars, etc. before putting them in the fridge. Does she put dirty milk cartons in the fridge, or does she pour the milk into a covered pitcher first? Does she put the terribly dirty mayo jar in the fridge or empty it into a freshly washed glass container first? How about individual yogurts? Do they get spooned out of their disgustingly dirty tubs and put in individual ramekins for later consumption?

—Anonymous

reply 117 08/03/2009

OP, please give up this ridiculous subject. "Mother" is kind of a freak, as are you. It is simple common sense that you can fit far more soda in the fridge if cartoned than stand-alone.

I have four boxes of soda in my fridge at a given time. Two are my personal favorites (Coke Zero and Diet Dr Pepper) and two are kept chilled for guests (regular Coke and club soda). The four are stacked in a 2x2 configuration that fits perfectly into the large space above my fruit/vegetable drawers. If I removed the soda from the boxes, I would have to stack the cans three in a row to fit them all in there.

Furthermore, the basis for your entire argument -- that paper containers are somehow "unsanitary" for a fridge -- makes no sense at all. As noted, one does not eat off of a fridge shelf, nor should one put unwrapped food on it. At no point is there any sanitation risk of any kind.

—null

reply 118 08/03/2009

Message to OP's (Little Edie) boyfriend:

GET OUT!

—Anonymous

reply 119 08/03/2009

Why do I think that calling your mother for 'confirmation' is a pattern with you, [R113]?

Now why don't YOU move along, if it's okay with Mummy.

—Anonymous

reply 120 08/03/2009

A boy's best friend is his mother.

—OP

reply 121 08/03/2009

I put my fridge pack right above the dairy drawer where I keep my Red Dragon cheese. Do you think that's okay?

—Anonymous

reply 122 08/03/2009

[R118], reread you post dear. 2x2 configurations? Bwwwwaahhhhh.

—Anonymous

reply 123 08/03/2009

OP - and anyone who agrees with OP - is a fucking idiot.

Next thing from OP: Keeping eggs in their packaging in the fridge is the wrong way to store eggs. They should be taken out, individually, and.....

—Anonymous

reply 124 08/03/2009

It's not that someone does or doesn't put soda boxes in the fridge, it's that the OP actually spends time worrying about it.

NOBODY CARES!

But do continue on with your etiquette paranoia, as your therapist needs to send his kids to college.

—Martha Stewart

reply 125 08/03/2009

No! I tell you no! I won't have you bringing some young man in for supper! By candlelight, I suppose, in the cheap, erotic fashion of young men with cheap, erotic minds!

—OP"s mother

reply 126 08/03/2009

[R124], most fridges come with egg keepers if you want to remove the eggs. If not there are special sections to store the egg cartons.

—Anonymous

reply 127 08/03/2009

Ask Martha Stewart (from twitter): Call me now 1-866-675-6675, I am LIVE on Sirius 112/XM 157 until 5PM EST. Ask me a question, It's my birthday today!

see offsite link on twitter.com

—Anonymous

reply 128 08/03/2009

It's funny that some DLers concoct these really elaborate threads trying to get people to respond to them, only to have them fizzle out after two dozen posts (half of them from the OP).

Yet Prisspot OP here easily made it over a hundred in record time for the most inane topic you can imagine. Go figure.

—Anonymous

reply 129 08/03/2009

Just to be a bitch.

see offsite link on bizjournals.com

—you deserve it

reply 130 08/03/2009

[R124] = Sam's Club frau who just discovered the DL.

—Anonymous

reply 131 08/03/2009

People who put sodas in cartons in their HOME refrigerator have esteem issues.

—Anonymous

reply 132 08/03/2009

OP,

What do think "Fridge Pack" means?

—Anonymous

reply 133 08/03/2009

OP thought it read "Fudge Pack" and was sorely disappointed.

—Anonymous

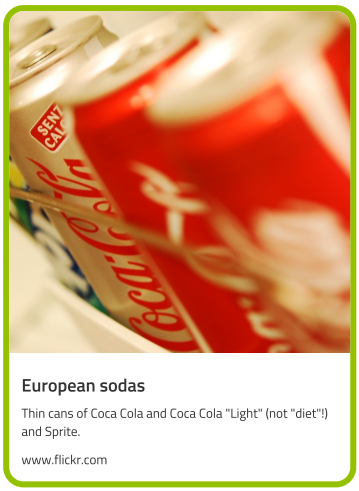
reply 134 08/03/2009

You idiotic KA-WEEEEENS who continually are posting these dreadful "Fridge Pack" links just don't get it. that carton has nothing to do with convenience or quality of life is has to do w/ the company influencing you to buy more product". It's just another lame "super size" marketing ploy that only people in the hinterlands fall for. You like dildos in your ass on occasion too, but that doesn't mean you store it completely packaged in your manginas.

—Anonymous

reply 135 08/03/2009

The only correct, tasteful way to store your chilled beverages.



—Anonymous

reply 136 08/03/2009

> What do think "Fridge Pack" means?

I know what it means dipshit. When you come to my home, you won't find drink cases in my fridge.

—Anonymous

reply 137 08/03/2009

Ridiculous comparison, [R135]. Everyone knows you store your dildos in the tool box.

—Anonymous

reply 138 08/03/2009

[R135]

What is your point? Almost all packaging is about marketing. But I do not remove coffee from its large size cannister just because they sold me a large size and put their name in big letters on it.

—Anonymous

reply 139 08/03/2009

Give it up, OP. Everyone thinks you're a control freak monster. Your reply at 137 just proves how off-the-rails bonkers you are. Now go put your mother in the fruit cellar. The cops are on their way to your motel.

—Anonymous

reply 140 08/03/2009

Fridge packs are just plain trashy. You can sugarcoat it however you want.

—Anonymous

reply 141 08/03/2009

CHRIST, will this EST ever get bored and get a fucking life? eh fly on the plate douchbag!!

—Anonymous

reply 142 08/03/2009

[R142], do you need your dosage upped, dear?

—Anonymous

reply 143 08/03/2009

The OP certainly does, [R143].

—Anonymous

reply 144 08/03/2009

OMG there are fridge packs all over the highway in Ridgefield, NJ. Someone better get there and let them know how to deal with it.

—Anonymous

reply 145 08/03/2009

CUNTS on a BINGE!!!!!!

—TAKE ME AWAY!!!!!!

reply 146 08/03/2009

They ARE coming to take you away, OP/[R146]!

—Anonymous

reply 147 08/03/2009

Please take my soda cans away, I can't TAKE IT ANY MORE!!!

—Op"s boyfriend"s mom

reply 148 08/03/2009

Damn your life is sad you have to worry about stupid shit like this.

—Anonymous

reply 149 08/03/2009

The refrigerator is a cold storage unit.

The sodas are in cans.

Having canned sodas. in a carton. in yet another container. is superfluous and ill conceived.

What's next... Russian Nesting doll margarine tubs?

—You bitches amaze me.

reply 150 08/03/2009

Damn and to think I was going to start a thread about keeping my boxed cereal in the fridge.

Whew! Glad, I dodged the bullet on that one.

—Anonymous

reply 151 08/03/2009

As one lone poster has said, drinking all that crap is trashy in itself. It makes no difference how you chill it.

—Anonymous

reply 152 08/03/2009

I usually leave them in the container, they take up less room than when I was putting them in the door. They also don't fall out/on the floor, get shaken up and explode upon opening.

I wipe off the carton before putting it in the fridge.

I wipe off all my groceries before putting them away (except fruit/veg - that gets washed prior to use).

—Anonymous

reply 153 08/03/2009

> Woah, wait a minute here. You bitches actually put the whole container in the fridge like common trash?

No one is going to bring up that the OP cannot spell "whoa"?

—Time was when a tasty morsel like that would get snapped right up

reply 154 08/03/2009

> Having canned sodas. in a carton. in yet another container. is superfluous and ill conceived.

They come in a carton.

Transferring the contents of the carton to some other stupid dispenser is a waste of time, fridge space, and money.

But then again, if you have no life, organizing the "perfect showplace fridge" will let you fill some of those empty hours you're cursed with.

—Anonymous

reply 155 08/03/2009

Some of us unfortunates don't have...gasp....a pantry.

—Anonymous

reply 156 08/03/2009

If this is how you judge people, your bf would be better of without you.

PS. You're nothing but pretentious trash if you think an opinion on soft drinks is what divides you from the masses.

—Anonymous

reply 157 08/03/2009

I should point out that when I desire a carbonated beverage, I brew my own artisanal sodas and bottle them in nineteenth-century bottles I find in antique shops on the Vineyard. I label them using a template that you can find at marthastewart.com. Hence the question of my using the fridge pack is moot.

—Martha

reply 158 08/03/2009

Exactly [R155], so you take the fucking sodas out of the god damn carton, queen. Cartons are for carrying convenience.

—Anonymous

reply 159 08/03/2009

[R157] = posts squirrel melts recipes on youtube.

—Anonymous

reply 160 08/03/2009

Can you queens please start posting the words "fridge pack"?

—Anonymous

reply 161 08/03/2009

> Cartons are for carrying convenience.

And now they're for dispensing too!

Try keeping up with the times.

—The Fridge Pack

reply 162 08/03/2009

159, the designers disagree with you. The Dispenser Pack is exactly that, meant to dispense the can's from the fridge while taking up the least possible space. Even the commercials show it used that way.

However, you're entitled to do whatever you want with your cans in your fridge. If you care this much about soda storage, you need to get something meaningful in your life.

—Seriously, get over yourself

reply 163 08/03/2009

I would just love to see you of your trashy and disorganized fridges. Generic ketchup, stray hairs, and soda cartons all over the place. And you call yourselves gay men.

—Anonymous

reply 164 08/03/2009

what if you never drink soda pop/soft drinks? what then?

—huh?

reply 165 08/03/2009

It's hilarious that all you people actually have opinions on this.

—Anonymous

reply 166 08/03/2009

Here's what they do with those nasty cardboard packs in Japan:

see offsite link on youtube.com

—Anonymous

reply 167 08/03/2009

Am I the only one who finds that canned drinks taste metallic? I refuse to drink soda & juice that aren't in glass bottles.

—Anonymous

reply 168 08/03/2009

I always candle and decant my sodas. They really sparkle when guests open the fridge.

—Anonymous

reply 169 08/03/2009

I am shocked that they let you see the inside of their fridge.

A good host serves his or her guests. A guest should not be forced to forage for himself.

—Anonymous

reply 170 08/03/2009

"A 50 year old woman with a FB page and a carton of sodas in her fridge. This is a perfect example of what's happening to this country."

—HEY!!

reply 171 08/03/2009

OP, get a fucking life.

—Anonymous

reply 172 08/03/2009

OP - toilet paper: over or under?

—Anonymous

reply 173 08/03/2009

I used to have a fridge pack. I need to get to the gym more.

—Anonymous

reply 174 08/03/2009

Drinking soda is trashy.

—Anonymous

reply 175 08/03/2009

[R175]

THANK YOU!!!

Anyone over 18 should NOT be drinking soda. OP left out that part of the trash equation.

—Anonymous

reply 176 08/03/2009

So that they will chill better? Are you fucking serious?

Honey, they'll chill. Just leave them in the refrigerator for a while. And go worry about something that matters like working on your prissy, anal retentive, obsessive compulsive disorder.

—Anonymous

reply 177 08/03/2009

Well there is one thing we now know. All over Chelsea, there are a bunch of queens with "Fridge Packs" littering the bottom shelves of their fridges.

—Anonymous

reply 178 08/03/2009

I collect the points from the Coca Cola packs. I got a decent pair of Skull Candy earbuds from them.

And before you ask how fat I am I only drink Diet Coke with Splenda.

—Anonymous

reply 179 08/03/2009

As the OP is the type of person who is talking about soda chilling properly, I think the boyfriend's mother outclasses him by far.

—Anonymous

reply 180 08/03/2009

Here's a handy rule: shittier beverages need more refrigeration.

So, Dimitri vodka and House of Stewart scotch belong in the freezer.

Mr. Pib, Crush, RC Cola, and Sprite require that cold spot in back of the fridge - along with white and red wines received as gifts.

Good soda and beer should be stored in a dark closet away from heat.

—Anonymous

reply 181 08/03/2009

You're a weirdo, [R181].

—Anonymous

reply 182 08/03/2009

I hereby nominate this thread as the Datalounge's dumbest thus far for 2009!

—Anonymous

reply 183 08/04/2009

> you wouldn't go to Martha Stewart's house and find a big paper Cock or Pepsi container in her fridge

You did that on purpose, OP, and I love you for it.

—Anonymous

reply 184 08/04/2009

I second [R183]'s nomination, as well as submit [R183] for the Inexplicable Use of Italics Award.

—Anonymous

reply 185 08/04/2009

Is soda in glass bottles still declasse? Am I allowed no soda at all in my fabulous lifestyle?

—Anonymous

reply 186 08/04/2009

He meant Datalounge the book, [R185].

—Anonymous

reply 187 08/04/2009

Why are glass bottles considered declass&#65533;? One would think it'd be the other way around.

—Anonymous

reply 188 08/04/2009

The "Fridge Pack" actually serves 2 purposes:

(1) For those who purchase soda this way, it does take up less space and allows the purchaser to place the cans in the fridge on the lower shelves.

(2) Manufacturers pay for shelf space in the supermarkets. The shape of the Fridge Pack allows the manufacturer to offer more soda in the same shelf space.

Some on DL will hate me for saying this BUT, I prefer my soda with ice cubes. Refrigerated soda never seems cold enough.

—null (Co Cacola)

reply 189 08/04/2009

> Well there is one thing we now know. All over Chelsea, there are a bunch of queens with "Fridge Packs" littering the bottom shelves of their fridges.

I cannot imagine anything in the world that matters less than the above.

Besides, as a few people have pointed out, drinking soda is trashy in and of itself, so how you store it is a non-issue.

—Anonymous

reply 190 08/04/2009

[R189]. If you're going to have ice in your drinks, it should be crushed and served with a festive seasonal straw for easy consumption.

—Anonymous

reply 191 08/04/2009

I think it's time to put this thread to nighty night.

—Anonymous

reply 192 08/04/2009

Imagine what it would be like to entertain one of these ridiculous queens up in this thread. Thank God I'm too busy to bother with these arriviste lower middle class neurosises.

—Anonymous

reply 193 08/04/2009

[R193] = table of one!

—Anonymous

reply 194 08/04/2009

I am laughing too hard to read all the responses here, but I worked for Coca-Cola for over 10 years. Trust me when I say that they spent MILLIONS developing and then marketing what they call the Fridge Pack, which is designed so that a new can rolls forward when you take one out.

Millions of dollars of consumer research told them that we want that, need that, will drink more soda with that, etc.

Pepsi came out with the Fridge Mate a year or two later and all the lawyers saw some work out of that.

The funny thing was, Coke never tested the practicality of the Fridge Pack for the distributors--the Coke bottlers who produce the soda. deliver it to the stores, and interface with store management.

The distribution system is designed to produce and load a 24 count case of cans. So Coke attached two Fridge Packs together for stacking and delivery. But guess what happened when it was delivered to the store? The Coke merchandiser had to try and pull them apart and most of the time the cardboard ripped!

The bottlers had to eat millions of dollars of breakage and lost soda and WENT to WAR with Coke over it.

Anybody else work in the middle of that nightmare? That's what sent me packing...

—Anonymous

reply 195 08/04/2009

I remember that, [R195], but as a consumer. Trying to pull the packs apart in the store because I only wanted one 12 pack and not the two that were stuck together.

—Anonymous

reply 196 08/04/2009

I can't even begin to imagine crouching down in some supermarket to TEAR two cartons apart for some fucking... soda.

The mind reels. The whole concept is a little too "Sam's Club-ish" for my tastes. Dear God.

—Anonymous

reply 197 08/04/2009

Thanks for the info [R195], but I swear if one more queen in here posts another "Fridge Pack" link in here, I think I'm going to lose it.

—Anonymous

reply 198 08/04/2009

> "Thank God I'm too busy to bother with these arriviste lower middle class neurosises.

MARY!

—Anonymous

reply 199 08/04/2009

[R197] hon, what's stopping you from purchasing whatever amount of soda you feel like? Insecurities acting up? Trust me, the Joneses are probably already used to catching on your hands and knees. Now sodas are usually not for me, but I'm secure enough in my preferences that I don't need to mince about other's doings, at the grocery store no less. Arriviste indeed!

—Anonymous

reply 200 08/04/2009

My goodness, [R197]. What a prissy little thing you are!

—Hyacinth Bucket

reply 201 08/04/2009

Bottles are preferable, but sometimes they have great deals on the 12 packs and the cases.

—Anonymous

reply 202 08/04/2009

[R202], you're an ASSHOLE!

First off, no soda is actually preferable due to the deleterious effects on health.

However should one wish to drink soda, ALUMINUM cans which are much more easily and cheaply RECYCLABEABLE are much preferable to **plastic** bottles which are more expensive and time consuming to recycle and which still cause waste in the recycling process.

Again, [R202], you're a selfish asshole.

—Anonymous

reply 203 08/04/2009

We're talking about glass bottles, [R203]. Do try to keep up. And perhaps go heat yourself a cup of chamomile, you certainly need it.

—Anonymous

reply 204 08/04/2009

Congratulations to generating more than 200 responses [thus far] to your laughable thread, OP!

—Anonymous

reply 205 08/04/2009

[R202] is a fucking asshole.

—Anonymous

reply 206 08/04/2009

I would love to see a Frausplosion at a Wal-Mart where you just got a herd of them and told them they could rip threw cartons and get all the sodas w/out a carton that they could carry in their hooves for ....free.

—Anonymous

reply 207 08/04/2009

If I went to a house and saw a fridge with cartoned sodas in it, I would just want to hug the person.

—Cartoned sodas are a cry for help

reply 208 08/04/2009

[R202] is destroying our planet singlehandedly.

—Anonymous

reply 209 08/04/2009

Gee OP, "Mom" must've been sad when you left

—Anonymous

reply 210 08/05/2009

> My boyfriend's mother doesn't take the soda cans out of the 12 pack container before refrigerating

The nerve of the filthy cunt!

—Anonymous

reply 211 08/05/2009

Fridge packs are great. Without them my BF's Mountain Dew and Dr Pepper cans would be all over our fridge. I'd get annoyed with it and throw them out while I'm procrastinating on work, and then he'd have nothing to drink with his favorite meal of a PB&J sandwich.

—Anonymous

reply 212 08/05/2009

Next time you go to your boyfriend's mother's, bring the family the gift of matching beer hats, and pointedly wear one yourself, equipped with frosty sodas. Set the classy example.

—Anonymous

reply 213 08/05/2009

I hope OP and all the anti-soda nutbags have an encounter with a soda machine like this:

see offsite link on youtube.com

—John Pemberton

reply 214 08/05/2009

Oh for crying out loud, the OP is either a troll or a looney.

I can't believe there are over 200 replies to this trivial nonsense.

—Anonymous

reply 215 08/05/2009

So why did you choose to post [R215]? Whose the bigger dumb queen?

—Anonymous

reply 216 08/05/2009

I can't get the Fridge Packs out of my mind.

Fridge Pack question: When using the Fridge Pack, the can is on its side, and more surface area of the soda is exposed to air. Does this adversely affect the effervescence?

—Diabetic Socks

reply 217 08/13/2009

This thread needs to go nighty night.

—Anonymous

reply 218 08/13/2009

Why no, Diabetic Socks. Cans of sugared soda have the longest shelf life in the World of Soda. Whether the can is upright or on it's side makes no difference.

PET bottles have a shorter shelf life, as the carbonation escapes at a faster rate.

Diet sodas always have a shorter shelf life than their sugared counterparts, due to the chemicals used to provide fake sweetness.

And don't ever store diet sodas in the sun, the sweetener will cloud up and taste nasty. No harm done to you, but the taste is quite nasty.

—Soda Company Refugee

reply 219 08/13/2009

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